

FISCAL NOTE
HB 413 - SB 715

February 27, 2007

SUMMARY OF BILL: Expands the Class E felony offense for unlawful possession of a weapon to include firearms or explosive weapons possessed during a burglary.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase State Expenditures - \$13,200 / Incarceration*

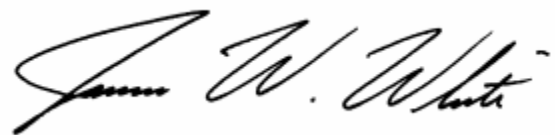
Assumptions:

- In FY06, the Department of Correction (DOC) had approximately 1,100 admissions for burglary, aggravated burglary and especially aggravated burglary. Assume that four percent of 1,100 (44) would have the Class E felony offense of unlawful possession of weapons as a secondary offense. Five percent of that 44 (2) would receive a consecutive sentence.
- According to the DOC, the average operating cost per inmate per day for calendar year 2006 is \$60.16. Two persons would serve 0.3 years (109.58 days) as a consecutive sentence. The cost per inmate at 0.3 years is \$6,592.33 (\$60.16 x 109.58 days). The total additional operating cost for two inmates is \$13,184.66 (\$6,592.33 x 2).
- No significant incarceration cost increase will occur due to population growth in this period.

**Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 9-4-210, requires that: For any law enacted after July 1, 1986, which results in a net increase in periods of imprisonment in state facilities, there shall be appropriated from recurring revenues the estimated operating cost of such law. The amount appropriated from recurring revenues shall be based upon the highest cost of the next 10 years.*

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.



James W. White, Executive Director